

exactly the reverse manner, that is, by twice clapping his left leg with his right hand. After having done

two last fingers crossed over each other. In taking the hand the last two fingers of your own will be properly extended. The thumb will be extended to the palm (your thumb will be that you will extend two fingers (exclusive of the thumb) to each other. Having shaken hands as best you can under the circumstances he will ask you, "What's out?" to which you will reply by answering, "The seal is on your thumb." He will then say, "You will say, 'One of them.' The recognition sign has been given and responded to, the grip having been given and returned, and the challenges having been mutually answered, is all that is required to be learned or performed, to enable you to be initiated into the Club. The Instructor, in conclusion, will say, "You are now a member of the Club, and the mode of saluting the President upon entering and retiring, all of which information have already given in detail. Each subordinate will now be initiated."

The following are, as nearly as I can ascertain, the numbers, places of meeting, and Presidents and Secretaries of the various subordi nate secret. Ward Clubs.

Subordinate Club No. 21, of the Twentieth Street Ward, meets

Deputy Secretary, Mr. Alfred Stewart, his residence at  
Thomas L. Fay.  
Subordinate Club No. 11, of the Fourth Ward, meets in Room  
No. 11, of the Fourth Ward, meets in Room No. 11, of the  
ward, near Oak street, A Protestant Irishman is President  
his Club.  
Subordinate Club No. 7, of the Sixteenth Ward, meets in  
Room No. 7, of the Sixteenth Ward, meets in Room No. 7,  
John Thomas Phillips, President; Joseph Foster, Secretary.  
Subordinate Club No. 21, of the Eleventh Ward, meets in  
Room No. 21, of the Eleventh Ward, meets in Room No. 21,  
near Fourth street, near Fourth street, near Fourth street,  
Subordinate Club No. 18, of the Second Ward, meets in  
Room No. 18, of the Second Ward, meets in Room No. 18,  
street, near Water. — Jacob, President.  
Subordinate Club No. 8, of the Ninth Ward, meets in  
Room No. 8, of the Ninth Ward, meets in Room No. 8,  
near High street, near High street, near High street,  
Subordinate Club No. 13, of the Twelfth Ward, meets in  
Room No. 13, of the Twelfth Ward, meets in Room No. 13,  
near C. B. Newhouse, President, and Richard Bradstreet,  
Secretary.  
Subordinate Club No. 14, of the Tenth Ward, meets in  
Room No. 14, of the Tenth Ward, meets in Room No. 14,  
near Grand street. T. M. Willis, President, and A. Burdett,

Subordinate Club No. 9, of the Eighteenth Ward, meets at Twenty-third street, near Grinnery Park. W. A. Conklin, President; J. H. Conklin, Secretary.

Subordinate Club No. 16, of the Seventh Ward, meets in the Vermont street, a few blocks from the river. Dante M. Collins, President; and James Rice, Secretary.

Subordinate Club No. 17, of the Twenty-first Ward, meets at Fourth avenue, in the neighborhood of Twenty-ninth street. William H. Mountaint, President; and Henry Perkins, ju. Secretary.

Subordinate Club No. 4, of the Fifteenth Ward, meets in the University, north side. J. L. Shuglerand, President; and J. W. Vernon, Secretary.

Subordinate Club No. 6, of the Seventeenth Ward, meets east side of the Bowery, near Second street. Robert H. Haines, President; ————, Oliver, Secretary.

Subordinate Club No. 1, of the Ninth Ward, meets in Green street, near the river. Th. Hon. C. de Mill, President; and A. Pettit, Secretary.

street near Cham-ague's. Wm. A. Hyatt, President, and C. F. Glass, Secretary.

Subordinate Club No. 2, of the Nineteenth Ward, meets in Hamilton-square. Evans, President, and James Reilly, Secretary.

Subordinate Club No. 10, of the Fourteenth Ward, meets in Spring, near Elm street, in the rear of a church. Peter P. Wende, President, and C. E. Hilary, Secretary.

Subordinate Club No. 11, of the Fifteenth Ward, meets in W. street. McCauley, President.

Subordinate Club No. 13, of the Fifteenth Ward, meets in E. street. W. Griffiths, President, and E. L. Loe, Secretary.

Subordinate Club No. 5, of the First Ward, meets in W. street. Oliver W. Griffiths, President, and Samuel Arnold, Secretary.

It is to be noted that the lowest calculation of the aggregate numerical strength embraced in the different subordinate secret Ward Clubs is not far from 4,000 voting members. Persons over the age of 21 years are restricted by section 33, article 11th, of the new Constitution from entering into secret societies. The reason of the drawing of a line of demarcation in respect to age is sufficient of itself to oblige me to say a word in reference to it, to

Each subordinate Club is provided with a number of "signals," which are furnished by the Junta, which can only be used in the discretion of the Presidents of subordinate Clubs, or by a special vote of the brethren of a Club, directing their use. The first signal is used previous to the night of a meeting, being placed upon the sidewalks, street-crossings, fences, hydrants, or lamp posts, to notify brethren that a meeting is to be held, and to indicate the signal is printed upon white paper, and consists of a triangle about half a foot in length, inclosed in a circle. The center of the triangle is a small blue star. The second signal is printed upon blue paper and is only used in case of apprehended danger to the Club or its members. If a brother finds the signal

It is about the same length as the other, and in the form of a crescent, with a human eye upon it. At the termination of each point of the crescent is a small star. Should the first and second signals (red and white and blue) be found in any of the streets, a meeting will be held. It is the intelligence that there will be a meeting of the Club of the ward in which they are found, in the evening, to take action is regarded as a great danger, and the brother finding them must attend, if the possibly can do so.

And now, I have printed upon deep red paper, and is a sign of actual existing danger, when used—and it is only used in unexpected emergencies or upon extraordinary occasions—it must be obeyed, unless sickened, or otherwise prevented. It is a sign of danger, and it is generally accompanied by the white one. If it is not, the brother

I have been compelled, in consequence of a desire not to occupy more of your space than is actually necessary in the accomplishment of my object in expressing this Young Men's A.G. Committee, to express a variety of strange and interesting facts and I might add with truth, startling facts and occurrences of which I have been the beneficiary and of those who

I stated in my former article that the number members of the Junta was ten, whereas, including officers, it is fifteen. The following are a few notes of the oaths administered at a public ceremony held at the residence of the President of the Junta, Mr. J. H. Smith, on Monday evening last.

The following are the names of the Board of Directors of the Committee:

First Vice-President—William A. Hyatt; Second Vice-President—Theodore M. Willis; Third Vice-President—Jacob Hamner; Treasurer—Edward Lane; Recording Secretary—John Thomas Phillips; Corresponding Secretary—M. Collins; Sergeant-at-Arms—Anderson Robbins.

The following are the oaths I have not been able to obtain from the other members of the

"You do most solemnly and sincerely swear that you will never, under any circumstances, for any cause or upon any pretext, divulge or make known to any person, in any manner, the secrets and dealings of this body, directly or otherwise, until you will actually vote for its cancellation and dissolution. And you will faithfully defend for its cancellation and dissolution, with your power and under your color, to advance its objects and interests."

The ceremonies attending an initiation into the Junta are really beautiful and unique. Two persons at a time would be required to describe them. I must exclude them, however, with other interesting matters relating to the Junta. I think that the proper name for the members of the Junta would be that of "American Jesuits," since they so much resemble the Jesuits in their organization, tactics and procedure.

I would mention as an instance of the power and control exercised by the Junta over the Committee the fact that at the last regular annual election of the Junta body for the board of officers for the ensuing year there were two printed tickets—regular and independent—in the field, beside a split one. The regular ticket was supported by the Junta, and notwithstanding that the friends of the independent ticket worked industriously to elect their candidates, the regular ticket was triumphant by a majority in the proportion of eight to two.

But I must conclude this somewhat lengthy communication by premising that the amount of subject matter yet remaining unpublished upon my hands, is

No little amazement was manifested in New-York at the announcement that the new Street Commissioner was an "honest man." Much curiosity was doubtless manifested to see this singular development of New-York municipal politics; and, as we have noticed, the usual "injunction" was delayed for a day or two. It is now said that he has adopted the plan of relieving his subordinates from among those who understand the duties of their office. This seems hardly credible, but it is vouched for in the *New-York Times* in an article which bears the appearance of having

RELIGIOUS CRIMINALS.—George S. Allen, ex-governor of Toronto jail, Canada, gives the following account of the religious opinions of the criminals confined there in 1857: "918 were Roman Catholics, 100 were members of the Church of England, 122 were Presbyterians, 64 Methodists, 3 Baptists, and 8 belonged to no religious denomination."